

**The CMS Quarterly Provider Update
April 2004**

Mid-Quarter Instructions

Listed below are instructions for the April Quarter that will not be released by April 1, 2004. Due to the nature of these routine or recurring items, a full 90-day advance notice could not be given. Unless noted below, these instructions have an implementation date of July 1, 2004.

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SUBJECT	DATE RELEASED
<u>Long Term Care Hospital Prospective Payment System (LTCH PPS) Fiscal Year 2005-Update</u> Transmittal 208, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 153 KB)	Released: 06/18/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>July 2004 Update of the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS): Payment for Drugs, Biologicals and Radiopharmaceuticals</u> Transmittal 194, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 111 KB)	Released: 06/04/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>July 2004 Update of the Hospital Outpatient Prospective Payment System (OPPS)</u> Transmittal 195, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 349 KB)	Released: 06/04/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Diabetes Self Management Training Services</u> Transmittal 13, Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, (PDF - 108 KB)	Released: 05/28/2004 Impl. Date: 06/28/2004
<u>Update to the Medicare July Outpatient OPPS Outpatient Code Editor</u> Transmittal 184, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 586 KB)	Released: 05/28/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>July Update to the Medicare Outpatient Code Editor (OCE) Version 19.2 For Bills From Hospitals That Are Not Paid Under The Outpatient Prospective Payment System</u> Transmittal 186, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 76 KB)	Released: 05/28/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Billing Requirements for Hyperbaric Oxygen (HBO) Therapy for the Treatment of Diabetic Wounds of the Lower Extremities</u> Transmittal 187, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 101 KB)	Released: 05/28/2004 Impl. Date: 06/28/2004
<u>Hospital Outpatient Billing and Payment under OPPS for New, Unclassified Drugs or Biologicals Approved by the FDA After January 1, 2004, But Before Assignment of a Product-Specific Drug/Biological HCPCS Code</u> Transmittal 188, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 77 KB)	Released: 05/28/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Updated SNF Help File Available for Calendar Year 2004</u> Transmittal 189, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 2 MB)	Released: 05/28/2004 Impl. Date: 06/28/2004
<u>Skilled Nursing Facility Consolidated Billing L Codes - DMERCs and FIs</u>	Released: 05/28/2004 Impl. Date: 06/28/2004

Transmittal 191, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 54 KB)	
<u>Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Correction</u> Transmittal 192, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 49 KB)	Released: 05/28/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Instructions for Downloading the Medicare Zip Code File</u> Transmittal 181, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 55 KB)	Released: 05/14/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Additional Health Insurance Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA) Coordination of Benefits (COB) Information for Trading Partners</u> Transmittal 83, One-Time Notification Manual (PDF - 130 KB)	Released: 05/14/2004 Impl. Date: 06/14/2004
<u>Updated SNF NO PAY File for July 2004</u> Transmittal 177, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 168 KB)	Released: 05/14/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Clarification to CR 3069 - New "K" Codes for Wheelchair Cushions</u> Transmittal 179, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 59 KB)	Released: 05/14/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>New Waived Tests - July 1, 2004</u> Transmittal 172, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 541 KB)	Released: 05/07/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Chapter 1, General Billing Requirements</u> Transmittal 170, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 130 KB)	Released: 05/07/2004 Impl. Date: N/A
<u>July Quarterly Update for 2004 Durable Medical Equipment, Prosthetics, Orthotics, and Supplies (DMEPOS) Fee Schedule</u> Transmittal 171, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 62 KB)	Released: 05/07/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>2nd Update to the 2004 Medicare Physician Fee Schedule Database</u> Transmittal 173, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 74 KB)	Released: 05/07/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Healthcare Common Procedure Coding System (HCPCS) Corrections Involving 0040T and A9603</u> Transmittal 174, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 55 KB)	Released: 05/07/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>18-Month Moratorium on Physician Self-Referrals to Specialty Hospitals; Processing of Form CMS-855A Applications to Become a Medicare Certified Hospital</u> Transmittal 79, One-Time Notification Manual (PDF - 63 KB)	Released: 05/07/2004 Impl. Date: 06/07/2004
<u>Remittance Advice Remark Code and Claim Adjustment Reason Code Update</u> Transmittal 154, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 81 KB)	Released: 04/30/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Notice of New Interest Rate for Medicare Overpayments and Underpayments</u> Transmittal 44, Medicare Financial Management Manual (PDF - 64 KB)	Released: 05/03/2004 Impl. Date: 05/07/2004
<u>Quarterly Update to Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) edits, Version 10.2, Effective July, 1, 2004</u> Transmittal 150, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 61 KB)	Released: 04/30/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Updated SNF NO PAY File for April 2004</u> Transmittal 143, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 66 KB)	Released: 04/19/2004 Impl. Date: 04/19/2004
<u>Changes to the Laboratory National Coverage Determination (NCD) Edit Software for July 2004</u> Transmittal 141, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 538 KB)	Released: 04/16/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Changes in Determining Rural Status of Hospitals for Transitional Outpatient Payments (TOPs) for 2004</u>	Released: 04/16/2004 Impl. Date: 06/01/2004

Transmittal 72, One-Time Notification Manual (PDF - 488 KB)	
<u>Addition of Two "WW" Codes to Identify Xeloda (Capecitabine)</u> Transmittal 136, Manual Name (PDF - 287 KB)	Released: 04/09/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Transmittal 68 Implementation Date Extension</u> Transmittal 68, One-Time Notification (PDF - 190 KB)	Released: 04/02/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
<u>Instructions for Downloading the Medicare Zip Code File.</u> Transmittal 134, Medicare Claims Processing Manual (PDF - 190 KB)	Released: 04/02/2004 Impl. Date: 07/06/2004
Managed Care Manual Updates	Additional Releases Pending
FDG-PET for 6 Cancers	Not yet released
Claims Status Codes Update	Not yet released
Correct Coding Initiative (CCI) Quarterly Update	Not yet released
Physician Fee Schedule Database Quarterly Update	Not yet released
Quarterly DMEPOS Fee Schedule Updates	Not yet released
Update to List of CLIA Waived Tests	Not yet released
Hospital Outpatient PPS - Quarterly Update; Outpatient, PPS, OCE, and PRICER Instructions	Not yet released
Addition/Deletion of HCPCS Codes includes Quarterly K Codes Update	Not yet released
New Zip Code File - Quarterly Update	Not yet released
Remittance Advice Reason and Remark Code Update - Quarterly Update	Not yet released
Home Health Consolidated HCPCS Code - Quarterly Update	Not yet released
Clinical Lab Edit Table Update (NCD)	Not yet released
PS & R Update	Not yet released
Update to Current NUBC Codes	Not yet released
SSM Hours for Resolution of Problems Detected as a Result of Implementation of CR 2525 and CR 2527 (Changes to PECOS Quarterly Update)	Not yet released
Payment of Immunosuppressive Drug Therapy	Not yet released
Special One-Time Costs Associated with Non-Continuation of the Medicare Contract	Not yet released
Promoting Medicare's Preventive Benefit Services on an Annual Basis	Not yet released
New Standard System Edits for Correct Billing on Skilled Nursing Facility (SNF) Claims	Not yet released
Medicare Termination of Beneficiaries with End Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Overpayment Instructions to Contractors	Not yet released
Clarification to Certain Exceptions to Medicare Limits on Physician Referrals	Not yet released
One time Instructions for Audit Intermediary Cost Reporting Processes and Accommodate Claims Processing	Not yet released

Errors That Prevented Some Supply Charges from Being Reported on Home Health Prospective Payment System Claims	
Provider/Supplier Communications - Provider Customer Service - Revisions and Modifications	Not yet released
Changes in the Medicare Benefit Policy Manual, Chapter 10	Not yet released
IHS CAH payment Methodology for Inpatient and Outpatient Services	Not yet released
Upcoding/Downcoding	Not yet released
National 1-800-MEDICARE (1-800-633-4227) Implementation (Section 923(d) of MMA)	Not yet released
18-Month Moratorium on Physician Self-Referrals to Specialty Hospitals; Processing of 855A Applications to Become a Medicare Certified Hospital	Not yet released
Automation of the CERT Manual Review Indicator	Not yet released